

A METHOD OF LOCALIZING STORAGE DEVICES, A MONITORING SYSTEM FOR LOCALIZING STORAGE DEVICES FOR GOODS, AND USE OF THE MONITORING EQUIPMENT

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The present invention relates to a method and a monitoring system, in particular for use in the monitoring of containers (4). Each container has a radio connection to positioning satellites of the GPS type (5), the SatCom type (6) as well as near field communications equipment from which data may be transferred to a data processing unit. Thus, according to the invention several possible radio connections are provided between the individual near field communications equipment, it being first checked whether a connection can be established to the position satellite, and if this is not possible, it is attempted to establish a radio connection to the communications satellite. If this cannot be done either, then a radio connection is established to another near field communications equipment.; The containers can hereby be monitored and tracked currently if for some reason they loose a radio connection. If the containers are placed at particularly difficult places, an embodiment of the invention comprises near field communications equipment which is not placed on any container and which can communicate with the containers and with the satellites.

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